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1802

A  
**CATALOGUE**

OF  
A MOST SUPERB, CAPITAL, AND VALUABLE COLLECTION  
OF  
ITALIAN, FRENCH, FLEMISH AND DUTCH  
**Pictures** :

THE PROPERTY OF  
**A GENTLEMAN,**

Highly distinguished for his fine Taste in the Arts:  
The Whole selected with unbounded Liberality, and now brought  
from his Seat at Fonthill, in Wiltshire;

CONSISTING OF INESTIMABLE WORKS OF THE FOLLOWING GREAT MASTERS,  
VIZ.

<i>Spagnoletto,</i>	<i>C. Lorrain,</i>	<i>Wouvermans,</i>	<i>De Vlieger,</i>
<i>A. Durer,</i>	<i>Seb. Bourdon,</i>	<i>Both,</i>	<i>Polemborgh,</i>
<i>Sal. Rosa,</i>	<i>Canaletti,</i>	<i>V. der Heyde,</i>	<i>Teniers,</i>
<i>Guido,</i>	<i>Zuccarelli,</i>	<i>C. du Jardin,</i>	<i>V. der Meulen,</i>
<i>Murillo,</i>	<i>Rembrandt,</i>	<i>Ruyfdael,</i>	<i>Webber,</i>
<i>D. Feti,</i>	<i>Ostade,</i>	<i>Wynants,</i>	<i>Loutherbourg.</i>

AMONG THE CELEBRATED PICTURES IN THIS COLLECTION, ARE THE FOLLOWING  
MOST DISTINGUISHED AND CAPITAL:

The RAPE of DEIANIRA, by Paduanino, one of the noblest Efforts of Genius in the Venetian School, both for Colouring and Design; the HOLY FAMILY, by Murillo, a very elegant Composition, full of Grace and Simplicity; the DEATH of SOCRATES, by S. Rosa; a LANDSCAPE, with St. Francis preaching, and a SEA PORT by Ditto; and LUCRETIA, by Guido, very capital. Amongst the Moderns, are Eight capital and much distinguished Pictures of the RAKE'S PROGRESS, by the immortal Hogarth, esteemed the finest of his Works. A Pair of elegant and splendid CABINETS, with the Subjects of Cupid and Psyche, painted by Smirke; also FOUR TRIPODS, of exquisite Workmanship.

**Which**  
WILL BE SOLD BY AUCTION,  
**BY MR. CHRISTIE,**  
AT HIS GREAT ROOM, PALL MALL,  
On SATURDAY, FEBRUARY the 27th, 1802,  
AT TWELVE O'CLOCK.

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May be Viewed Two Days preceding the Sale, when Catalogues may be had (at One Shilling each,) in Pall Mall.

CONDITIONS OF SALE AS USUAL.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY the 27th, 1802.

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PICTURES.

		1	A Pair of Landscapes
		2	An Allegorical subject
		3	Belshazzar's Feast
Cozens	—	4	A Sun set and a Moonlight, a pair
Zuccarelli	—	5	A pair of Landscapes, early sketches of the master
Beccafiume	—	6	An Historical Subject
Pether	—	7	A Landscape, a Rural Scene
Ditto	—	8	A Moonlight
Cafali	—	9	A Chiaro-oscuro
Huber	—	10	A Landscape
Webber	—	11	A View of Teneriffe
Locatelli	—	12	An Italian Landscape and Figures
Huber	—	13	A View through a Cavern with Peafants, &c.
		14	A pleasing upright Landscape and Figures
De Vries	—	15	View of a Village
Peters	—	16	The Storming of a Fortrefs with many Figures
Huber	—	17	View of a Farm in Wiltshire
Moucheron	—	18	A warm Sunny Landscape
Peters	—	19	A Storm, very spirited
Ditto	—	20	A Calm



D. Feti	—	21	Lazarus at the Rich Man's Table
Huber	— —	22	A Landscape, View from nature, with Cattle
Cafali	—	23	An Historical Subject in Chiaro-oscuro
V. der Meulen	—	24	A View in Flanders, with military Figures
N. Pouffin	—	25	A Landscape, a grand scene with Figures
Elsheimer	—	26	Tobit and the Angel, very highly finished
Holbein	—	27	A Man's Portrait, Style of
Polemborg	—	28	A small Landscape with Figures, highly finished
V. Heckel	—	29	A Church Piece
Van Balen and Breughel		30	The Virgin and Child attended by Angels in a Landscape
C. du Jardin	—	31	Peasants and Cattle in a Landscape
S. Ruyfdael	—	32	A Boat under Sail upon a River, and View of a Town in the distance, a spirited and pleasing picture
Wouvermans	—	33	A Peasant mounted on a white horse, a rich cabinet bit of the master
V. der Heyde	—	34	A small Landscape with boys bathing, very highly finished
S. Ruyfdael	—	35	View on a River with Boats and Fishermen
Both	— —	36	A mountainous Landscape and figures, warm pleasing Effect
Brauer	—	37	The Pancake Woman, a well painted and spirited Morceau
Wynants	—	38	A Landscape, a warm evening Scene, the figures by A. V. de Velde, a delicate and pleasing picture
Zuccarelli	—	39	A pair of elegant Italian Landscapes with Peasants fishing, &c.
Canaletti	—	40	A view of the Doge's Palace, and part of St. Mark's Place, at Venice, with various figures, a capital and perfect Picture of the Master
Ditto	— —	41	A view of the Rialto, the companion
Huber	—	42	A mountainous Scene, with a view of a river
Ditto	—	43	An elegant Italian Landscape, the Companion
Webber	—	44	A View of one of the Islands in the South Seas, with Natives in a Canoe, a pleasing specimen of the Master
Ibbotson	—	45	A Mountainous Woody Landscape with Figures
Webber	—	46	A View of the River in Ohaite Peha, or lesser Otaheite with Figures of Natives: a Mountainous and rich Glowing Scene

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| Hamilton     | — | 47 | Moses receiving the Tables on Mount Sinai<br>The simplicity of composition, and rich harmonious tone of colouring, but particularly the dignified manner in which this awful subject is treated, are truly worthy the genius of this great and much lamented artist   |
| Ditto        | — | 48 | Moses displaying the Brazen Serpent in the Wilderness, companion to the preceding: truly a <i>Morceau de Maître</i>   |
| Loutherbourg | — | 49 | A VIEW of CONWAY CASTLE<br>The venerable Remains of this antient Building, are taken in the most picturesque Point of View, and displayed with the grandest Effect: a Boat with Figures rowing against a heavy Swell, are executed with wonderful Spirit, and embellish the Scene, which is painted in the very finest Style of this celebrated and justly admired Artist |
| Ditto        | — | 50 | The Companion,<br>A View of Grassmere Mill in Wales; of equal merit with the preceding  |
|              |   | 51 | A superb and most elegant carved and gilt Secretaire, the Compartments exquisitely painted from the Fable of Cupid and Psyche, by that most Ingenious and admired Artist, Mr Smirke; and Bas-reliefs in Chiaro Oscuro by the late Mr. Hamilton, forming a magnificent Specimen of Genuine Taste and Elegance  |
|              |   | 52 | A Ditto, correspondently embellished  |
|              |   | 53 | A Pair of sumptuous carved and gilt Tripods, designed with peculiar Taste, and richly adorned with various Ornaments, in most exquisite style   |
|              |   | 54 | A Pair of Ditto   |
| Corn. Janfen | — | 55 | A Gentleman's Portrait  |
| Seb Bourdon  | — | 56 | Taking down from the Cross; a composition of many Figures   |
| Spagnoletto  | — | 57 | Archimedes, very finely painted   |
| L. Giordano  | — | 58 | The Nativity, with a Group of Infant Angels above, executed with uncommon Spirit and Freedom of Design, Capital   |

- Wyke — 59 The Storming of a Fortrefs, a most singular and high finished Picture of this Master, exceedingly fine
- Artois & Vander Meulen 60 A rich and luxuriant Landscape, executed with uncommon Freedom of Pencil, and finely coloured; embellished with Figures of Soldiers on a March, by Vandermeulen. Capital
- Wynants and Lingelback. 61 A Forest Scene, with a View of a Nobleman's Chateau, and Figures returning from Hawking, a pleasing Cabinet Picture.
- Denner — — 62 An Old Lady's Portrait.
- D. Teniers. — 63 The Four Seasons, very highly and exquisitely finished
- V. der Heyde — 64 A View of a Town in Holland, with a Canal or Dock, and Drawbridge; the figures by A. V. de Velde; a brilliant *Bijou*.
- Teuiers — 65 A woman scouring Kettles, a richly coloured and high finished Cabinet Picture.
- De Vlieger — 66 The Mouth of the Harbour of Scheveling with Vessels putting out to Sea, and Figures in various Employments on the Beach: a capital and perfect Picture of this esteemed Master.
- V der Heyde — 67 View of a town in Holland, with Buildings, and Figures; a Surgeon's Shop 'also humorously introduced on one Side of the Picture.
- RUYSDAEL — 68 View of a Road leading through a Village, a rustic Scene, beautifully painted after Nature; a charming Chef d'œuvre.
- OSTADE — 69 THE DOCTOR.

This exquisite Cabinet Picture, and the following, its Companion, are well known by the Engravings taken from them. It is painted in a rich Tone of Colour, and highly finished; and the Character is admirably marked:—truly a Cabinet Jewel.

- OSTADE — 70 THE BURGOMASTER, a *Bijou* of equal Merit.
- REMBRANDT — 71 THE FLAGELLATION of our SAVIOUR.  
 This Artift, who could fo difpofe his Light and Shade, as to illumine what was grand, and conceal what *might* be difpleafing, has here difplayed the Magic of his Art, with fingular Effect: Truly Capital.
- Guido — 72 A Magdalen; full of Delicacy and Sweetnefs: this charming Picture, is engraved in the *Schola Italica*.
- Seb. Bourdon — 73 A Repofo of a Holy Family, St. Jofeph and St. John in Egypt: a compofition, that, for grandeur, might have done honour to Pouffin; painted in a firm and bold Style, and the Characters full of expreffion
- Claude — 74 An Italian Landscape, with Buildings and Figures; a cool evening Scene, painted with great Delicacy of Pencil
- MURILLO — 75 The Holy Family, with St. Jofeph and St. John, full pleafing Expreflion; this capital Picture of the favorite Master once graced the collection of Sir Laurence Dundas
- A. DURER — 76 THE PRESENTATION of the VIRGIN.  
 The Proceffion of Elders to the Temple in this Picture is uncommonly grand; the Characters full of noble Expreflion, and painted in a vigorous Style. This Chef d'œuvre of the German Raphael, and it's Companion, were formerly brought to Italy by Christina, Queen of Sweden, but, were not long fince purchafed from out of the BRACCIANO PALACE at ROME
- DITTO — 77 THE CIRCUMCISION, it's COMPANION, equally capital
- S. ROSA — 78 THE DEATH of SOCRATES.  
 The fubject, and the Perfon of Socrates in particular, is treated with proper, Dignity; the reflected Prifon-light through dark, is natural. This is a curious and fingularly fine Specimen of this very celebrated Master's Talent in Historical Painting
- GUIDO — 79 LUCRETIA.  
 One of the fineft Specimens of this great Master, in his beft Style, and in perfect Prefervation: from the collection of M. Le Rouge



S. ROSA —

80 BANDITTI on the BANK of a RIVER; a grand and rocky Scene.

THIS NOBLE PICTURE and the following, were purchased from the COLONNA PALACE at ROME: the figures are correctly drawn, and finished with uncommon precision and smartness of pencil: The whole painted in a transparent and harmonious Tone of Colour, in the very finest Style and Time of the Master—truly a *chef d'œuvre*

DITTO —

81 ST. FRANCIS PREACHING, the COMPANION, equally capital

PADUANINO —

82 DEIANIRA and the CENTAUR, pursued by HERCULES.

A capital Picture, equal in colour to Titian; and in composition worthy of Annibale Carracci; in the finest preservation. It was formerly in the Possession of a Noble Duke, whose Taste and Judgement were well known

LOUTHERBOURG

83 A COTTAGE, in a rocky and woody Scene, after Sun-fet:

A beautiful View, admirably suited to the luxuriant Fancy which distinguishes this great and admired Artist, and treated in his very best Style. This Picture is rendered further interesting from being a faithful portrait of Welsh Scenery

DITTO —

84 A MOUNTAINOUS and ROCKY LANDSCAPE, a View in Wales.

A Scene full of grandeur and managed with surprising Genius and Effect.

DITTO —

85 A STORM and SHIPWRECK, with banditti and figures.

One of the noblest Efforts of the Genius and Talents of the truly great and admired Master.

HOGARTH —

86 THE EIGHT ORIGINAL PICTURES, ever celebrated as *chef d'œuvres* of HOGARTH; and well known by the title of THE RAKE'S PROGRESS.

Hogarth, well acquainted with all the Vicissitudes of Life, and perfectly Master of the Passions, has immortalized himself by correcting the Failings

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Mr Joane Architect.

of his Countrymen. These inimitable Productions of his Pencil might alone have established his Fame. They present most interesting and affecting Scenes, in which he has displayed all the Powers of his Art, by Character, Composition, Design and Effect; and in which even his Colouring partakes of the poetical Spirit of the Painter: not too gay or seductive in the Scenes of Dissipation, and keeping sober Pace with the melancholy Tone of those, which conclude this admirably treated Subject.

We speak with Confidence of the Merit of these Paintings; and our Congratulations are ready, to greet the Amateur of Taste and Feeling, who may distinguish himself by securing so enviable a Purchase.

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